

City Times

NEWSLETTER

“APRIL Showers BRING MAY flowers!”

Nominate a friend for Yard of the Month,
kicking off April 1, by [clicking HERE](#).

Upcoming Events for City of Lawton:

- [Friends of the Library Book Sale](#):
4/4/19 – 4/7/19 @TBD, call
580.581.3450 for more
information
- ['Ware On C' April Event](#): 4/4/19
@4th & C Avenue, 5:30-8 p.m.
- [Moonlight Walk Against Drugs](#):
4/12/19 @Elmer Thomas Park, 6
p.m.
- [Grown-Ups Only Easter Egg
Hunt](#): 4/20/19 @McMahon Ball
Fields, 3-7 p.m.



APRIL 2019
CITY MANAGERS OFFICE
580.581.3301



City Manager Michael Cleghorn has been making his way across the City, learning about various divisions through site visits and has enjoyed every moment of them!

Some of his latest ventures include tours of the Water Treatment Plants, Lawton Animal Welfare, Fire Station 8, LPD, and Lawton Arts & Humanities at McMahon Memorial Auditorium as seen above!

*City Receives Topmost
Opinion on Audit*

Lawton City Council accepted the [City of Lawton annual audit report](#) as presented by BKD, LLP, for the 2018 fiscal year, for which the City received an “unmodified opinion” – the topmost audit opinion an entity can receive. The third-party audit determined that the financial statements of the City of Lawton had been “presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.”

“Not only is there a sampling of the revenue coming in and expenditures going out being audited, there are contracts, policies, procedures and additional information being audited,” said Finance Director Diane Branstetter.

Other information evaluated includes, but is not limited to, the City’s debit, payroll data and fixed assets.

HIGHLIGHTS:

- For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2018, the City’s total net position increased by \$12.2 million or 4.91% from the prior year.
- During the year, the City’s expenses for governmental activities were \$80.2 million and were funded by program revenues of \$18.2 million and further funded with taxes and other general revenues, including transfers in, that totaled \$58.8 million.
- In the City’s business-type activities, such as utilities, program revenues exceeded expenses by \$15.1 million.
- Sales and use taxes increased by \$0.9 million or 1.8% over the prior fiscal year.
- For budgetary reporting purposes, the General Fund reported revenues above estimates by \$847,629 or 1.52%, while expenditures were under final appropriations by \$1,504,813 or 2.81%.



**HAPPY, HAPPY
BIRTHDAY TO YOU!**

April Employee Birthdays:

Travis Jacobi	James Pierce	M.B. Baggett
John Beauchamp	Nolan Berry	Justin Row
Jack Hanna	Nickolas Hare	Christopher Adamson
Keri Henning	Linda McCue	Brad Milam
Donald Kousman	Mathew Selby	Dustin Arrowood
David Faust	Jeremy Thode	Azalee McGahee
Quinton Fixico	Dale Watts	Doug Wellhouse
Dagan Collins	Austin Benton	David Campbell
Dakota Roseberry	Tyler Zehren	Graydon Gatlin
Brittany Schulte	Robert Bishop	Brian Gay
David Johnson	Johnny Dodd	Michael McCallick
Teresa Crabtree	Cynthia Price	Ethan McCracken
Joseph Dagostino	Jeramy Ross	Reggie Seaton
Danny Smith	Timothy Poff	Gary Ward
Brandon Becker	Justin Pitts	John Schwenk
Amelia Gorshing	Dustin Dye	Enoch Marshall
Daniel Kayser	Kristin Huntley	Russell Anderson
James Julian	Kaitlyn Knott	Ginger Szatkowski
Jinny Imel Edison	Ramon Ortega	Ricky McCollister
Mallory Williams	Mardi Repasy	Brandon Want
Onreka Johnson	William James	Sonny Puleta
Dominic Gudger	James Johnson	Cliff Haggenmiller

Something you’d like to see?

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**CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR
YEARS OF SERVICE!**

**April Employment
Anniversaries**

10 YEARS+

Gary Ward, Engineering
David Simmons, W/WW
Troy Brandon, PW
Mark Mason, LPD
Jonathan Santiago, LPD
Michael McCallick, LPD
Daniel Harter, LPD
Donald Dawdy, SSC
Kathleen Klingensmith, SWC
Bernard Nauman, Insp. Services
Marcie Sego, Finance

15 YEARS+

Kenny Runyan, W/WW
Brad Delozier, LPD
Louis Alvarez, LPD
Gene Sovo, PW
Casey Caddell, W/WW
Doug Wellhouse, L & P

15+ YEARS (Cont’d)

Tim Wilson, Legal
Erlene Maroon, LPD
Scott Kisner, LPD

20+ YEARS (Cont’d)

Denise Carney, LPD
Michael Ward, PW
Sherri Poolaw, SSC
Barbara Burnett, IT
Melodie Mort, LPD



Employee

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Administrative Policy 3-01, which you can view [HERE](#), was implemented in 2013 and establishes a program of recognizing City of Lawton employees who have made substantial contributions to their divisions or who have otherwise contributed or performed in a manner which will reflect favorably on the individual and the City of Lawton.

All regular full-time and all regular part-time employees, with the exception of department directors and division supervisors, are eligible for selection. For more information on nominating a co-worker, reach out to EAC Chairman Travis Estep (ext. 375).

Welcome to our Team!

COL NEW HIRES

Ashley White, Legal

Jeffery Morris, SWC

Ernest Wiley, Parks & Rec

Linda McCue, Library

Jessica Weatherby, Library

Kyle Keller, LPD

Learn about all of the benefits and opportunities available to you through employment at the City of Lawton by contacting the Human Resources Offices (ext. 392), or browse the latest [Career Openings](#) digitally!

Pride of the Southwest



TOP RIGHT: Staff members of the Community Services Department pose for a photo for ["Meet the Team Monday!"](#)

TOP LEFT: Mayor Stan Booker & Community Relations Director Tiffany Martinez Vrska join LPS staff and community business partners for the kickoff of the [Garver Gives Initiative](#) at Pat Henry Elementary, where the Mayor spoke.

MIDDLE RIGHT: Councilwoman Onreka Johnson visits with intern student Robbie Day about possible youth initiatives through the City.

MIDDLE LEFT: Mayor Booker & McGruff the Crime Dog show home-schooled students around City Hall.

BOTTOM LEFT: Parks & Recreation Coordinator Michell Rosario shares Mardi Gras beads with City Manager Michael Cleghorn on Fat Tuesday!

